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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT REGARDING SEQUENCE DISCLOSURES

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In response to the Restriction Requirement dated October 30, 2001 please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Specification:

Please insert the enclosed "Sequence Listing" immediately after the section of the specification entitled "Abstract of the Disclosure" on page 47.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 12, line 11, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Fusion proteins comprising EGFH2 or a biologically active or antigenic fragment thereof can be produced using methods known in the art. Such fusion proteins can be used therapeutically or can be produced in order to simplify the isolation and purification procedures.